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1. A system for providing Internet addresses corresponding to an electronic signal to a user, the system comprising:
 - 3 a receiver for receiving at least one electronic signal, the at least one electronic signal including one or more Internet addresses embedded therein;
 - 5 a decoder in communication with the receiver, the decoder for extracting the one or more Internet addresses from the at least one electronic signal;
 - 7 a processor in communication with the decoder, the processor for compiling a historical list of the one or more Internet addresses extracted from the at least one electronic signal, wherein the processor includes memory for storing the historical list; and
 - 11 a web browser connected to the processor, the web browser for presenting the historical list of the one or more Internet addresses to the user.
1. The system of claim 1, wherein the processor is further operable to receive a signal from the user indicating a selected Internet address from the historical list and provide a connection to a web page associated with the selected Internet address.
1. The system of claim 1, wherein the receiver includes a set-top box.
1. The system of claim 1, wherein the receiver includes a home gateway.
1. The system of claim 1, wherein the processor includes a personal computer.
1. The system of claim 1, wherein the processor includes a web tablet.

1 7. The system of claim 1, further comprising a first display in
2 communication with the processor.

1 8. The system of claim 7, wherein the processor is in communication
2 with the receiver, and the at least one electronic signal is displayed on the first
3 display.

1 9. The system of claim 1, further comprising a second display in
2 communication with the receiver for displaying the at least one electronic signal to
3 the user.

1 10. The system of claim 9, wherein the second display includes a
2 television set.

1 11. The system of claim 1, wherein the at least one electronic signal
2 includes a plurality of electronic signals.

1 12. The system of claim 11, further comprising a tuner in
2 communication with the receiver for tuning to a selected one of the plurality of
3 electronic signals.

1 13. The system of claim 11, wherein the historical list includes
2 Internet addresses extracted from the plurality of electronic signals.

1 14. The system of claim 1, wherein the historical list includes Internet
2 addresses extracted over an amount of time selectable by the user.

1 15. The system of claim 1, wherein the historical list includes Internet
2 addresses of a number selectable by the user.

1 16. The system of claim 1, wherein the historical list includes
2 program source information associated with each Internet address.

1 17. The system of claim 1, wherein the at least one electronic signal
2 includes a video signal.

1 18. The system of claim 1, wherein the at least one electronic signal
2 includes an audio signal.

1 19. The system of claim 1, wherein the at least one electronic signal
2 includes a combined video and audio signal.

1 20. The system of claim 1, wherein the Internet addresses include
2 uniform resource locators (URLs).

1 21. The system of claim 1, wherein the Internet addresses are
2 embedded in a vertical blanking interval of the at least one electronic signal.

1 22. A method for providing Internet addresses corresponding to an
2 electronic signal to a user, the method comprising:

3 receiving at least one electronic signal, wherein the electronic signal
4 includes one or more Internet addresses embedded therein;

5 extracting the one or more Internet addresses from the at least one
6 electronic signal;

7 compiling and storing a historical list of the one or more Internet
8 addresses extracted from the at least one electronic signal; and

9 presenting the historical list of the one or more Internet addresses to
10 the user.

1 23. The method of claim 22, further comprising receiving a signal
2 from the user indicating a selected Internet address from the historical list and
3 providing a connection to a web page associated with the selected Internet address.

1 24. The method of claim 22, further comprising displaying the at least
2 one electronic signal to the user.

1 25. The method of claim 22, wherein receiving the at least one
2 electronic signal includes receiving a plurality of electronic signals.

1 26. The method of claim 25, further comprising tuning to a selected
2 one of the plurality of electronic signals.

1 27. The method of claim 25, wherein presenting the historical list
2 includes presenting Internet addresses extracted from the plurality of electronic
3 signals.

1 28. The method of claim 22, wherein presenting the historical list to
2 the user includes presenting Internet addresses extracted over an amount of time
3 selectable by the user.

1 29. The method of claim 22, wherein presenting the historical list to
2 the user includes presenting Internet addresses of a number selectable by the user.

1 30. The method of claim 22, wherein presenting the historical list to
2 the user includes presenting program source information associated with each Internet
3 address.

1 31. The method of claim 22, wherein receiving the at least one
2 electronic signal includes receiving a video signal.

1 32. The method of claim 22, wherein receiving the at least one
2 electronic signal includes receiving an audio signal.

1 33. The method of claim 22, wherein receiving the at least one
2 electronic signal includes receiving a combined video and audio signal.

1 34. The method of claim 22, wherein extracting the one or more
2 Internet addresses includes extracting uniform resource locators (URLs).

1 35. The method of claim 22, wherein extracting the one or more
2 Internet addresses includes extracting the Internet addresses from a vertical blanking
3 interval of the at least one electronic signal.

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